



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 19TH THEATER SUPPORT COMMAND
UNIT #15015
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Command Policy Letter #29 – 19th TSC Base Level Commercial Equipment (BCE)

1. REFERENCES:

- a. AR 71-32, Force Development and Documentation-consolidated policies, 03 March 1997.
- b. Federal Logistics Compact Disc (Supply Bulletin 700-20, Chapter 6).
- c. DFAS-IN Manual 37-100-XX, Chapter AO-2035 and Appendix A.

2. PURPOSE: To provide guidance on how to develop BCE requirements for submission to this headquarters.

3. APPLICABILITY: This policy memorandum applies to all 19th Theater Support Command Staff (TSC) and subordinate units.

4. BCE Defined:

- a. Generally non-standard, off-the-shelf equipment.
- b. Authorized by Table of Distribution Allowance (TDA).
- c. Can be used in stand-alone mode and not lose its identity on application.
- d. Cost is at or above threshold of \$250,000.
- e. Is not centrally managed or purchased.
- f. Is considered recurring and generic in nature.

5. Example of BCE requirements or replacements:

- a. Laundry equipment.
- b. Materiel handling equipment.

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6. GENERAL POLICY:

a. The BCE Program allows U.S. Army General Operating Agencies that are primarily OMA funded to obtain investment end items. The funds used to obtain these items are from Other Procurement Army (OPA) and are available for three years but should be expeditiously obligated, preferably in the first year.

b. Reference 1a provides a list of Army approved BCE items and is identified in the “Type Item,” column as “BCE MAPP” (MACOM approved). Items not identified, but meeting BCE criteria, may be purchased if a request for Type Classification Exemption (TCE) is accomplished and Table of Distribution and Allowance/Joint Table of Allowance (TDA/JTA) authorization is obtained. Reference 1b provides additional guidance.

c. The 19TH TSC staff and subordinate commands will limit BCE requirements to three. All requirements will be submitted with justifications included to the 19TH HQ Resource Management. For resubmission of old requirements, commands will ensure the equipment is still a valid requirement and vendor cost and availability are current.

d. Any situation outside the above parameters, e.g., Modified Table of Organization and Equipment (MTOE) item, that is not available/suitable for mission, should be so identified.

7. The following specifically regulated BCE items are excluded from the Manpower and Personnel Plan (MAPP) and require DA approval for inclusion in TDA:

- a. Micrographic equipment.
- b. Nonstandard automated filing equipment.
- c. Office copying equipment.
- d. Test, measurement, and diagnostic equipment.
- e. Non-systems training devices.

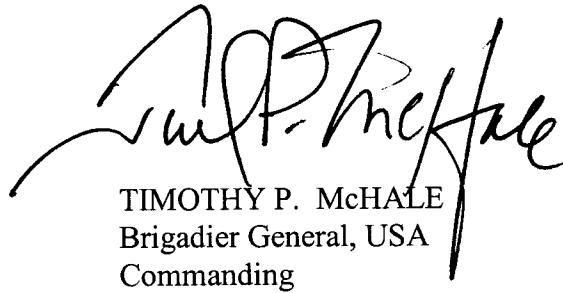
8. RESPONSIBILITY: The 19TH TSC staff and subordinate commanders will ensure all requirements submitted are in accordance with this policy.

9. SUPERSESSION. This memorandum supersedes Policy Memo #29 dated 27 Nov 02.

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10. The point of contact is Resource Management at 768-7701.



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